# Port of Duluth Clean and Efficient Goods Movement Workshop

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#### Recent Issues

- New federal standards for 8-hour ozone and PM 2.5
- New diesel engine standards, ultra-low sulfur diesel fuel, biodiesel requirements in MN
- MN regions threatening to violate federal standard for ozone and particulate matter and to be declared in non-attainment

## Consequences of Non-attainment

- Environmental: diminished air quality and risk of damage to crops, forests, and habitat
- Economic: annual estimated control technology cost: \$189 - \$266 million (1999 MN Chamber study)
  - Increased permitting obstacles
  - Costs in labor and time to meet stricter regulations
- Health: links to pulmonary and cardiovascular issues

## New Heavy Duty Diesel Engine Standards

- •Approximately 13 million diesel engines in use in US
- •Feds set the standards, states clean-up existing fleets
- Federal sectors:
  - -On-road diesels
  - -Non-road diesels
  - -Locomotives
  - -Marine vessels

## Locomotives and Marine Vessels

#### Locomotives

- -40+ year live cycles and multiple rebuilds
- -Standards upgraded in 2002, phased-in with 3 tiers
- -Fuel down to 500ppm sulfur by 2007 and 15ppm by 2012

#### • Marine Vessels

-3 tiers based upon size, phasedin standards

### Future Federal Funding: Overview

#### FY06 budget

- \$5 Million for National Clean Diesel Campaign
  - RFP for West Coast closes 3-23-06
- \$7 Million for Clean School Bus USA

#### Transportation SAFETEA- LU

- CMAQ \$ for nonroad retrofit (over \$8 billion available)
  - Makes the construction equipment retrofits eligible for trust fund
  - Funding available now from MPOs

#### Energy Policy Act 2005

- Diesel Emission Reduction Act (DERA) \$1 Billion over 5 years
  - Authorization, still needs appropriation
  - Provisions for state programs

#### SAFETEA-LU

- The new transportation law recognizes retrofit projects as a priority for federal CMAQ funding and reiterates the importance of cost-effective emissions reduction strategies from mobile sources
  - For Nonattainment and Maintenance areas
  - On-highway truck projects funded
- CMAQ priority for nonroad diesel retrofits in construction via Metro Planning Organizations
  - In partnership with DOT, EPA must provide guidance to states on effectiveness of technologies and strategies
  - \$1.4 billion per year for 6 years
- Does not require any additional appropriation

## **Energy Policy Act Provisions**

#### Diesel Emission Reduction Act (DERA)

Authorizes \$200 million per year for 5 years

- Expect to fund 150-200 projects
- 70% of the funds EPA Grants and Loans
- 20% of the funds to establish State grant/loan programs
- An optional 10% of the funds can be used to increase state allocations for states that match federal funds

#### Fleet Modernization

•\$100 M over 3 years (focus on ports)

#### Idle Reduction

•\$140M over 3 years for idle reduction

## Energy Policy Act (cont'd)

## Amendments to the Biomass Research and Development Act of 2000

• Authorizes \$200 million for 10 years (FY 2006-2015) to develop technologies and processes necessary for abundant commercial production of biobased fuels at prices competitive with fossil fuels and a diversity of sustainable domestic sources of biomass for conversion to biobased fuels and biobased products.

#### Advanced Biofuel Technologies Program

- Authorizes EPA to spend \$110 million/year for 5 years (2005 to 2009) on biofuels technology development.
- Priority shall be given to projects that enhance geographic diversity of alternative fuels and utilize feedstocks that represent 10% or less of ethanol or biodiesel fuel production in the US during the previous fiscal year.

### President's FY07 Budget Request

- Includes \$50 million for DERA
  - Competitive grants for nonattainment areas
    - For all diesel sources: Marine, cargo handling equipment, trucks, trains, school buses, construction
  - Presumably 30% for state programs (\$15 million)
  - Still must go through Congress for appropriation

### Clean Air Minnesota

•A voluntary partnership of businesses, environmental groups, government agencies, and citizens working together to achieve significant, measurable reductions in air pollution.

#### • Environmental outcomes

- -2.2 tons per day reductions in first two years
- -More than 140,000 recipients of air quality alerts
- -More than 60 public and private partners committed to voluntary emission-reductions

## Project Green Fleet

•Retrofit at least 500 school buses by 2008

•Raise at least \$2 million through diverse funding sources

•Initial work in Twin Cities, Rochester and Duluth areas

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